

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

June 17, 2005

Charles Oakes, Treasurer Oregon Republican Party 2720 Commercial St SE #210 Salem, OR 97302

Response Due Date: July 18, 2005

Identification Number: C00153031

Reference:

Amended September Monthly Report (8/1/04-8/31/04), received 6/6/05

Dear Mr. Oakes:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. An adequate response must be received at the Commission by the response date noted above. An itemization of the information needed follows:

-Schedules A and D supporting Lines 11(a)(i) and 10 of your report totaling \$4,500.00 owed to "Politel debts forgiven discloses Telecommunications," which appears to be a corporation. Please be advised that a forgiven debt owed to a corporate entity constitutes a receipt to the committee. 2 U.S.C. §441b(a) prohibits the receipt of contributions from corporations unless made from a separate segregated fund established by the corporation.

If any apparently prohibited contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of your check for any transfer-out or refund. In addition, any transfers-out or refunds should be disclosed on Schedule B supporting Line 22 or 28 of the report covering the period during which the transaction was made.

Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning the acceptance of a prohibited contribution, prompt action by your committee to transfer-out or refund the amount will be taken into consideration.

-Schedule B supporting Line 30(b) of your report discloses a payment(s) for "FEA SLOTUS EVENT," "FEA SLOTUS INVITE FAXING," "FEA SLOTUS INVITES," "FEA SLOTUS MAILING" and "FEA SLOTUS PHOTOGRAPHY" which is categorized as Federal Election Activity and therefore, may require the disclosure of the candidate(s) this activity should be attributed to. Expenditures and disbursements for public communications that refer to a clearly identified candidate for Federal office and that promote, support, attack or oppose any candidate for Federal office, meet the definition of Federal Election Activity under 11 CFR §100.24 and should be disclosed on Schedule B for Line 30(b) along with the identity of the candidate(s).

Further, please be advised that public communications that meet the definition of Federal Election Activity and that also contain express advocacy as defined under 11 CFR §100.22, but do not meet the conditions of exempt activity, would constitute an in-kind contribution, an independent expenditure or a coordinated party expenditure and should be properly disclosed on a Schedule B, E or F supporting Lines 23, 24 or 25, as appropriate rather than on Schedule B for Line 30(b). Please amend your report to properly disclose this activity or provide clarifying information.

Unlike previous election cycles, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered. Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1135.

Sincerely,

Maureen Benitz

Senior Campaign Finance Analyst Reports Analysis Division